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Barney Riley Named Superintendent of Fort Davis National Historic Site

DENVER – Barney Riley, a 12-year National Park Service (NPS) employee, has been selected as the new superintendent of Fort Davis National Historic Site in west Texas, according to

Intermountain Region (IMR) Director Sue Masica. Riley assumes his new duties on Aug. 7. His first day "on the job" in the park will be Aug. 15.

Riley currently serves as division chief of Facility Operations and Maintenance at Redwood National and State Parks (REDW) in California. Prior to his assignment there, he had a diverse career as a U.S. Army Engineer officer (two overseas tours), project manager for several private-sector firms specializing in environmental cleanup, owner-operator of a small business and manager of a large state park in Oregon.

"Barney brings valuable operational perspectives to Fort Davis and the Intermountain Region," Masica said. "His ability to collaborate with staff and park partners will be especially valuable as he fully engages in this new appointment."

Barney Riley (NPS photo)

Fort Davis National Historic Site has more than 45,000

Barney Riley visitors annually and operates with a base budget of more than \$1.2 million.

Before his assignment at REDW, Riley was chief of the Facility Management Division (FMD) at Saguaro National Park in Arizona, beginning in 2004. He served as acting superintendent at Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Park in Texas, acting IMR chief of Maintenance, acting superintendent of REDW and, most recently, as acting FMD chief at Grand Canyon National Park.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity to work with the staff at Fort Davis and to kick off the second 100 years of NPS presence protecting and preserving such an awesome park," Riley said.

A native of Fort Worth, TX, Riley holds a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry and outdoor recreation management from Stephen F. Austin State University. He also recently completed the Executive Potential Program through Graduate School USA. In addition, he serves as a mentor for the NPS Facility Managers Leadership Program and is a member of the Servicewide Maintenance Advisory Committee - Safety Subcommittee.

In his free time, Riley volunteers with the local search-and-rescue team as a high-angle rope rescue specialist, swift-water rescue technician and incident operations specialist. He also is a mountain biker, hiker and a published landscape photographer.

Riley's family also is fully immersed in the NPS. His wife is permits coordinator and administrative assistant to the chief ranger at REDW and his son works as a cave guide at Oregon Caves National Monument.

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